



AURORA
Public Library District

Membership Policy

Aurora Public Library District Mission

We support and inspire our diverse community through access to fun and informative resources and experiences.

General Guidelines

The Aurora Public Library District maintains a collection of physical and digital materials for the use of the residents of the library district and other registered borrowers. Residents of the City of Aurora, those who own businesses or property within the City of Aurora, and educators and students at Aurora schools are eligible for a library card which gives access to those materials. Residents of unincorporated Aurora pay an annual fee determined by the Board of Library Trustees for a library card. Residents of other Illinois municipalities may register their home library card to borrow Aurora Public Library District materials.

Register for a Library Card

Visit us online or at any library location to register for a library card. Proof of identification and address is required for adults and teenagers. Children under the age of 14 require a parent or guardian's approval to register for a library card. Library cards are valid as long as the cardholder remains a resident, business or property owner, educator, or student in Aurora schools.

Your Data

The library will use the information we collect from you to verify your eligibility for a library card, to communicate with you about items you have borrowed or requested, and to inform you about library services and programs. Your information may be shared with a contracted third party to assist in retrieval of library items. Information about the material you check out is protected by the Illinois Library Records Confidentiality Act. The library collects demographic data on an optional basis to hold ourselves accountable in the service we provide the community.

Library Card Use

One library card will be issued per customer. The Aurora Public Library District retains the right to suspend use for violation of library policy or if damaged or item replacement costs exceed \$30. Customers should notify the library immediately if their card is lost or stolen. The library does not charge daily fines for items returned late. For items long overdue, an item replacement cost may be assessed. Due dates for interlibrary loan items are set by the owning library.

There are no age restrictions on borrowing any library materials; parents/guardians are responsible for a child's selection of materials.

Damaged, Lost, and Not Returned Items

When an item is damaged, lost, or not returned, the customer may be billed the purchase cost of the item. Replacement costs for materials owned by another library are determined by the owning library.

If a lost item is paid for, then found and returned within 90 days of the payment date, the library will issue a refund. No refunds are given for interlibrary loan materials or other libraries' materials.

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Board of Library Trustees
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